

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1001A
Shinichiro ISOBE : **Confirmation No. 8900**
Serial No. 10/584,089 : Group Art Unit 1637
Filed August 9, 2006 : Examiner Jezia Riley
METHOD FOR DETECTING : **Mail Stop: IF**
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant requests consideration of the references listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 and any additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the Form PTO/SB/08 is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for:

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Serial No. _____.

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(2) ☐ the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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a. ☐ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,

b. ☒ a foreign patent office Office Action (in the English language) submitted herewith,

- c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page ,
 - d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
 - e. ☐ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5. ☒ A foreign patent office Office Action citing one or more of the references is enclosed.
6. ☒ Comments

The references cited in the attached European Office Action dated September 9, 2009 were previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) filed June 22, 2006 and March 16, 2009.

The references cited in the attached Chinese Office Action issued July 17, 2009 were previously cited in the IDS filed June 22, 2006. Please note the following typo in this Office Action: US 2002/006482 should be US 2002/0064782. This is evidenced by the publication date of US 2002/0064782, which is May 30, 2002, and thus matches the publication date of the reference listed on the Office Action.

References AA and BA cited herein, were cited in the attached Indian Office Action issued July 17, 2009.

WO '046, which was also cited in the Indian Office Action dated July 17, 2009, is the publication of the International Application, upon which this application is the National Stage. Accordingly, this reference is not cited herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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